



## Dorothy "Dot" Geneva Steely Neathery

July 31, 1931 - June 22, 2016

Dorothy (Dot) Geneva Steely Neathery was born July 31, 1931 to Will and Nora Steely in Coldspring, Texas. She passed away June 22, 2016 in Huntsville.

Dot is survived by her amazing husband of sixty-seven years, John Neathery, Jr; her son, Jay Neathery and wife, Lynn; son-in-law, Doug Corkins; grandchildren, Caitlin Corkins, Claire Corkins and daughter, Madelyn; Caroline Corkins; Cara Neathery; Jason Neathery and wife, Rachel, and children, Reagan, Johnny, Titus (Ty) and soon-to-be-born Roy; Austin Neathery and wife, Rachel; Drew Neathery, Alona Neathery and Caleb Neathery. Dot was one of ten children and her sister, Stella Milam is the only surviving sibling, as well as her sister-in-law, Becky Steely. There are many nieces and nephews as well. She is preceded in death by her daughter, Dee Corkins.

Dot earned her Bachelor and Master Degrees from Sam Houston State University and served in the Conroe ISD, retiring as principal at Armstrong Elementary. She then helped other students become teachers as she taught Classroom Management at SHSU after retiring from CISD.

Dot knew the Lord and is rejoicing now with her God. She has always been an active church member, and is a member of University Heights Baptist Church. She served there in many ways.

Dot loved to sing and was active in the Senior Adult Community Choir for many years.

She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and a sweet grandmother. She was an amazing cook and could crochet anything! She had many talents, but the most important thing is that she knew the Lord Jesus.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 PM till 7:30 PM on Saturday, June 25, 2016 at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. Funeral services will be held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, June 26, 2016 at University Heights Baptist Church in Huntsville, Texas. Interment will follow the service at Black Jack Cemetery in Huntsville, Texas.

Full obituary may be viewed and memorial condolences made to the family at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Black Jack Cemetery

Black Jack Rd  
Huntsville, TX 77340

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 25.** 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340  
(936) 291-7300  
belinda@shmfm.com

## Service

**JUN 26.** 3:00 PM (CT)

University Heights Baptist Church of Huntsville  
2400 Sycamore Avenue  
Huntsville, TX

# Tribute Wall



“ Dorothy "Dot" Geneva Steely Neathery

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ Mrs. Neatherly was the best principal any student could have had. I had her in the 80s and she ALWAYS had a sweet smile and made everyone feel loved.

Susan (Shacklett) Dombrowski - June 26, 2016 at 11:36 AM



“ Keith and Maryann Corkins purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dorothy "Dot" Geneva Steely Neathery.



Keith and Maryann Corkins - June 25, 2016 at 06:41 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dot" Geneva Steely Neathery.



June 24, 2016 at 05:07 PM

WS

“ She was younger than I so I never thought that she would go before me. And today is very sad. She and I started the Primer grade together at Pine Valley one room schoolhouse, where most of us were relatives. Miss Bessie Swearingen was our teacher. Dorothy and I sat together in one of those 2 person double wide desks. We were as close as sisters for many years - then marriage, further education etc. took that time. But I have thought of her many, many times past and did get to see her a few times. She set such a wonderful example for everyone who knew her. We had such fun when they finally moved to Houston and we attended Stephen F. Austin together with Jessie Mae. I so loved all of the cousins on that side and believe me that ALSO her mother could crochet ANYTHING. My beautiful baby daughter looked at pictures of all the Steelys and said "Mom, there isn't an ugly one in the bunch" And John is also such a sterling character. A contribution will be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital in Tn. by my family. RIP Dear - Love and prayers for your surviving family. Wanda Ruth Steely Staley.

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**Wanda Ruth Steely Staley** - June 24, 2016 at 11:35 AM

DH

“ She was a great lady and super student in my class at SHSU. God bless the family.

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**David Henderson** - June 24, 2016 at 06:00 AM

LD

“ I loved my beautiful Aunt. She would take in my sister and I summers when we were growing up. We got to try and see many new things. She gave us love that our mother was not able to and I know my mother her sister would have been very happy about that. She is in heaven now with her own daughter and her other sisters and brothers. We will miss you dearly and until we all meet again for a steely reunion on the other side. Love LaNell DeCosta-Corkins-Steely.

LaNell DeCosta - June 24, 2016 at 05:36 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dot" Geneva Steely Neathery.



June 23, 2016 at 11:45 PM

JM

“ So sorry for your loss. Our hearts go out to you.

Larry and Judy Miller



Judy Miller` - June 23, 2016 at 09:23 PM



“ Sweet Mrs. Dot is face to face with Healer! The angels are rejoicing in the arrival of her to our Eternal Home but she is already missed at her earthly home. I am blessed to have known such a sweet, Godly, graceful woman. Praying for each of you, Neathery family!

Amber Winn - June 23, 2016 at 06:24 PM

TB

“ *When I think of Dot Neathery, a smile crosses my face and I am filled with warmth and grace. She was a wise lady who loved the Lord and overflowed with the fruit of the Spirit. I know she will be missed by many but remembered in so many wonderful ways. Rest in peace sweet lady. You are loved. Terrie and Steve Black*

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**Terrie Black** - June 23, 2016 at 06:13 PM

KS

“ *It was an honor and a privilege to work as a teacher under Dot's leadership as principal at Armstrong Elementary. She was a living example of the love of Jesus Christ. Every morning of every day you would find her at the front entrance of the school greeting each student with a cheerful smile. Whenever a teacher presented a request of any significance to her, you would most assuredly be met with an instant response of, "I'll pray about that and get back to you." Each child knew he/she was special. It was a joy to teach in a place where teachers were held to the highest expectatios for excellence and their work was appreciated. Her memory and legacy lives on in the many lives in which she has made a difference. Thank you, Dot, for the beautiful example of Christian servitude that you have left on my heart. Lovingly, Kay Stephens*

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**Kay Stephens** - June 23, 2016 at 03:27 PM

SM

“*Dot was my big sister, and we spent many wonderful hours together. I will miss her more than words can say.*

*She and John used to visit us in Houston, and we always had a marvelous time, sharing our lives. When I was first married and lived in Angleton, TX, Dot and Jay (he was two at the time) came and stayed a few days with us. What a wonderful memory.*

*She was very influential in my life and she loved her family and was so happy when she was with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. The children Jay and Lynn adopted really were loved by Dot and were so good for her in the beginning of her battle with dementia..*

*Stella*

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**Stella Steely Milam** - June 23, 2016 at 03:10 PM